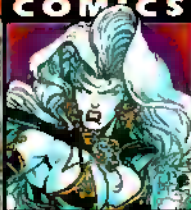


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## "Wicked Ways"

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### Story So Far

Lady Death has returned to claim Hell as hers alone to rule. An encounter with Lady Demon, once her demonic persona but now a separate entity, revealed a link between the two: if one is hurt, the other feels the pain. Amid a fierce battle with three Arch Dukes of Hell, Lady Death inexplicably fell to unconsciousness, but her blade Nightmore carried on the battle. Why did she lose consciousness?

Leviatha, Lucifer's bride, has returned and discovered Lady Demon. "Tinkering" with Lady Demon has led to Lady Death's current condition. In the process, Leviatha learned that Lady Death is behind the defeat of Lucifer and the beheading of Thanatos, her son. She isn't pleased.

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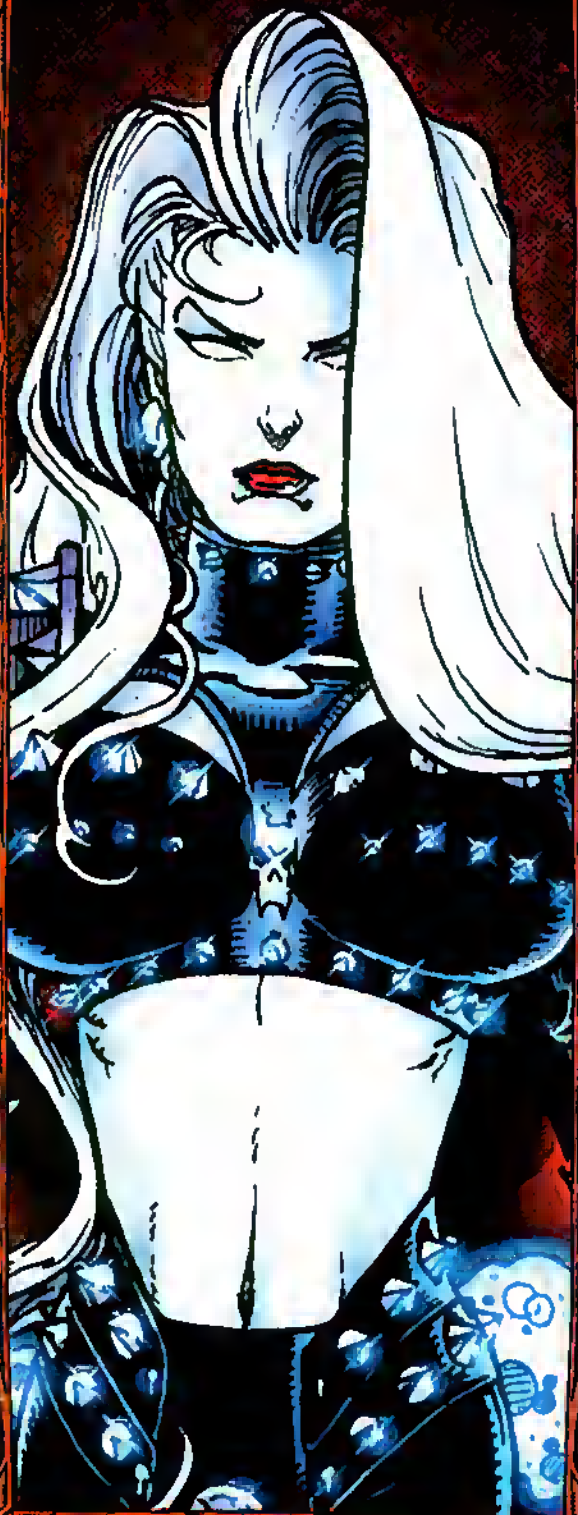
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Been inside the SOUL  
of the notorious Diva  
of Death with me.

It's an angry soul, SWOLLEN with  
PRIDE, DRIVEN TO DOMINATE  
every rioting hand of HELL...

...from the lowest pit -  
crawlers to the  
imperious ARCH DUKES!

LADY  
DEATH!

Only a soul with such an  
exquisitely DEEP well of  
pride would DARE wield  
the NIGHTMARE sword.

MY LADY!  
WAKE UP!

For every time the Lady USES it,  
Nightmare comes one cut CLOSER  
to STEALING her delicious soul!

But before THE blade CONSUMES  
her, you can trust ME, LEVIATHA--  
Lady Death will SUFFER. WATCH...

LADY DEATH IS  
UNCONSCIOUS!

BUT THE  
DAMNED  
BLADE  
KEEPS HER  
UPRIGHT!

I MIGHT  
WONDER WHY  
SHE BOTHERS  
TO KEEP HER LOYAL  
CREMATOR AT  
HER SIDE...







...WERE I NOT  
CONFRONTED  
BY THE FURIOUS  
ARCH DUKES OF  
HELL... ALONE!

BLOODDD!

COME,  
KOBAL,  
YOU GUSTY  
BASTARD!

I'LL GIVE YOU  
A FIGHT HELL'S  
SCRIBES WILL CALL  
"THE MASSACRE OF  
THE FALSE LORDS  
OF HELL!"


YOUR STENCH  
OFFENDS YOUR  
BETTERS, BRUTE--  
ON YOUR KNEES FOR  
DECAPITATION!

OBSERVE, MY  
PEERS-- THE WENCH  
IS STUNNED BY  
OUR GLORY!

YESSSSS/  
AND HER DEAD  
LEGIONSSS  
ARE SSSSTILL,  
TOO!

NOW  
TO COLLECT  
THAT PRETTY  
LITTLE TROPHY  
SSSKULL!





IF WE DON'T  
PROTECT THE LADY  
FROM THE BITTER  
BUREAUCRACY  
OF HELL...

WE'LL NEVER  
GORGE OURSELVES  
ON THE BLOOD OF  
HEAVEN!!

KEEP YOUR  
DISSSTANCE,  
LUMBERING  
MAMMAL!

NNNGHHH!

SSSSUMMON  
OTHERS, BROTHERS  
AND SSSISTERS!

WE ARE  
MANY.

WE ARE  
MANY.

It would seem NIGHTMARE, like the  
young rebel who holds it, doesn't  
even PRETEND to respect TRADITION.

And, if its SERPENTINE  
GHOSTS seemed  
numerous BEFORE...



...NOW, they  
ATTACK in an  
unrelenting  
TORRENT!

I have to admit,  
the CARNAGE  
is... FUN.

YESSs!

IF WE  
HAD TO, WE  
COULD  
MULTIPLY...

...TILL  
THERE WAS  
NO ROOM IN  
HELL FOR  
ANYTHING BUT  
USSS!

EEEEE!!!

SAVE A  
FEW VICTIMS  
FOR ME, VILE  
CREATURES!

THE ARCH  
DUKES DIDN'T  
LIE WHEN THEY  
HAD THE MOST  
EXCELLENT  
BLOODDD!

ARRRGHH!

STAND  
YOURRR

RRRRGHH!

BY THE  
EIGHT VECTORSS  
OF THE  
MAELSTROM...  
...BEGONE!

COWARDSS!

FALL  
BACK!

YOU  
THINK YOU CAN  
PLAY THE WARLORD  
OVER PRIMAL  
CHAOS, KOBAL?

SCUM!

WE  
SHALL SEE...  
WHEN OUR  
DARKNESS  
SWALLOWS  
YOU  
WHOLE!

MRRRHH



And, while KOBAL'S soul enters  
NIGHTMARE, Lady Demon  
AWAKENS in Hell's Infernal Theater!

DID I...  
DREAM? I  
HEARD...

...TANTALIZING  
SINGING... IN  
MY HEAD!

THAT was LEVIATHA'S VOICE,  
RIPENING the little Demon  
for dark TREATS, and  
dangerous NEW INTENT! OBSERVE.

A SOUL!  
THE ONE GIFT THE  
PRINCE OF LIES COULD  
NOT BESTOW ME AT  
CONCEPTION!

IT'S ALL SO  
SIMPLE, NOW. I  
FOUGHT TO MAKE  
LADY DEATH  
WANT ME.

BUT NOW  
I KNOW... ALL  
I NEEDED WAS  
A SOUL.

And, when Lady Demon  
awakens, so  
does LADY DEATH!

NO,  
I MUST  
RE--

HA! I  
REMEMBER  
LUCIFER SAID  
SOULS  
CAME VERY  
CHEAP...

...FROM A  
PLACE CALLED  
EARTH!

CREMATOR!



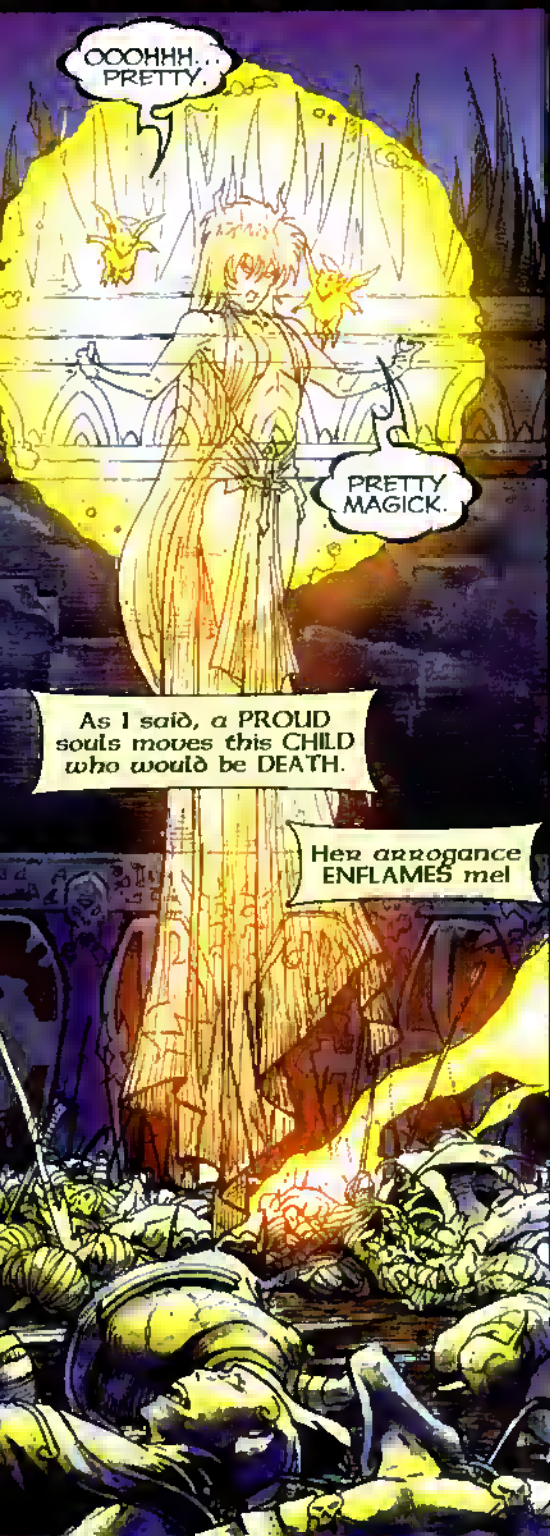


WHAT...  
HAPPENED?

M'LADY,  
AS USUAL, YOU  
LEFT NO FOE  
STANDING.

AND YOUR  
VAMPIRE-SWORD  
SPARED ME --  
FOR NOW!

AT  
LAST, HELL  
IS MINE



OOOHHH...  
PRETTY.

PRETTY  
MAGICK.

As I said, a PROUD  
souls moves this CHILD  
who would be DEATH.

Her arrogance  
ENFLAMES me!



BREAKING HER  
will be DELICIOUS  
pleasure!

First, let the  
ASHES of  
her supposed  
VICTORY...

...REVIVE to  
HUMBLE her!



LADY D,  
YOUR  
REVOLUTION  
ROCKED. I MEAN  
IT, DOLL -- TILL  
YOU MADE  
MOTHER  
ANGRY.

MOTHER?!



What?  
IMPASSIVE?  
Does she know  
NO fear?





SHOW YOURSELF 'MOTHER.'!

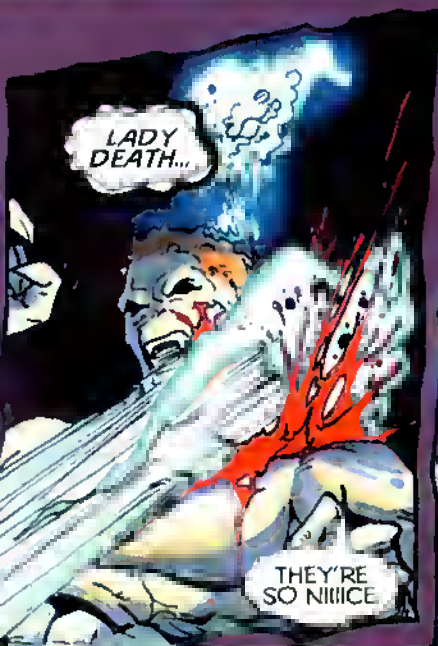
Mmm, BLACK WINGED HELL ANGELS...

FLY! FLY! MY BROTHERSS AND SSISSTERSS!

SO YOUR UNSEEN HAND RENDERED ME UNCONSCIOUS AS I FACED THE ARCH DUKES!  
FOR THAT INDIGNITY, 'MOTHER,' I PROMISE YOU... AFTER WE RAVAGE YOUR LITTLE AMUSEMENTS...

LISTEN TO THE LADY! FREE REIGN!

SLAUGHTER IS SERVED!



LADY DEATH...

THEY'RE SO NIIICE



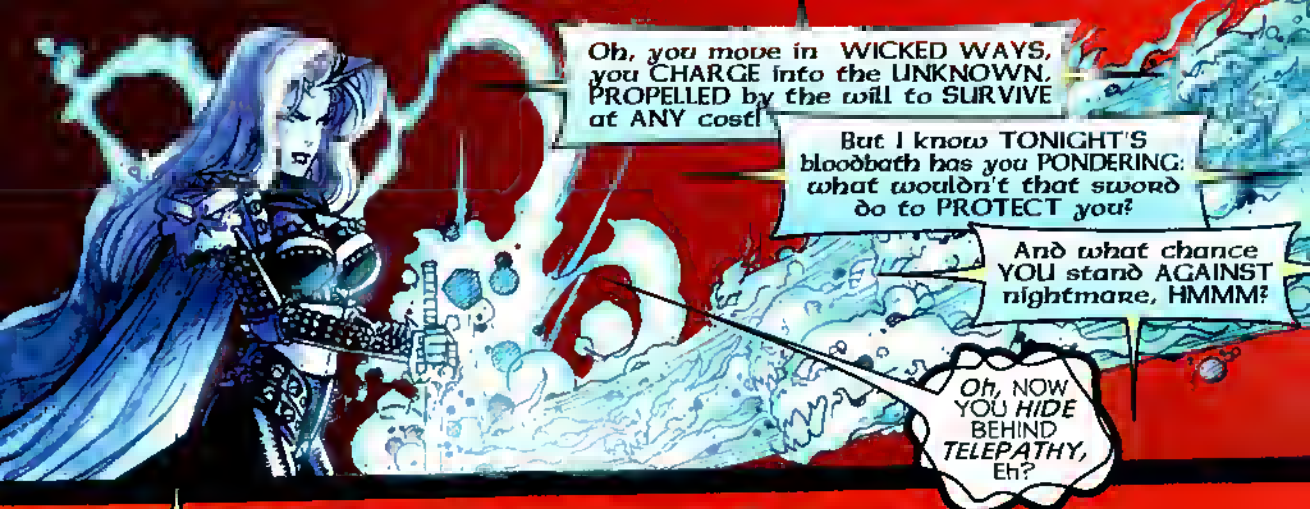
WE GET TO KILL THEM TWIIICE!

...AND HER MYSTIC BLADE NIGHTMARE...



...WILL FIND TORMENT APPROPRIATE FOR A CRAVEN MANIPULATOR LIKE YOU!





Oh, you move in **WICKED** WAYS,  
you **CHARGE** into the **UNKNOWN**.  
PROPELLED by the will to **SURVIVE**  
at ANY cost!

But I know **TONIGHT'S**  
bloodbath has you **PONDERING**:  
what wouldn't that sword  
do to **PROTECT** you?

And what chance  
YOU stand **AGAINST**  
nightmare, **HMMM?**

Oh, NOW  
YOU **HIDE**  
BEHIND  
**TELEPATHY**,  
Eh?

I SHOULD be  
away, **SAVING**  
my **BELOVED!**

After all, YOUR  
soul's already  
**CONDEMNED** to  
**NIGHTMARE!**

But I want to  
**WATCH** you  
face the  
**TRUTH...**

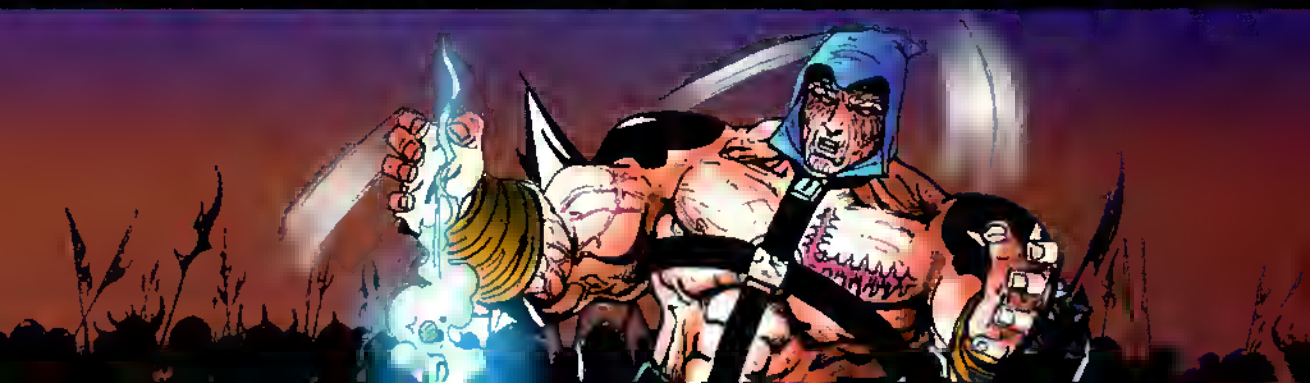
...**TRUTH** that will  
be fertile ground  
for **DESPAIR...** and  
**DOWNFALL!**

I'LL  
**EMBRACE**  
YOUR  
"**TRUTH!**"

WHEN  
YOU **SHOW**  
YOURSELF!  
...AND  
**EMBRACE**  
YOUR  
**DEATH!**

Abhhh...  
girl...







You DENIED the truth HERE,  
in Lucifer's BED CHAMBER.

He offered you GIFTS--  
in pride and anger,  
you BETRAYED him.

HE  
DESERVED--

WHAT?

THE NEXUS! SO  
YOU HAVE MASTERED  
TELEPORTATION.

YOUR  
POINT, IF  
YOU HAVE  
ONE!

Though the MASTER did  
not REALIZE, he brought  
his nasty little THOUGHT,  
LADY DEATH, to LIFE!

Here's the CRUCIAL  
question. I'll make it  
SIMPLE: WHO spit  
into Lucifer's FACE  
in this pit. HMMM?

A cold, imminent  
GODDESS? Or was it a  
lost soul, a CHILD really,  
a HUMAN girl named--

The NEXUS was ever  
an OBSTACLE, crippling  
your AMBITION, yes!

And yet stony, aloof,  
seemingly IMMORTAL  
Lady Death never  
CONSIDERED how  
truly CRIPPLING it was...

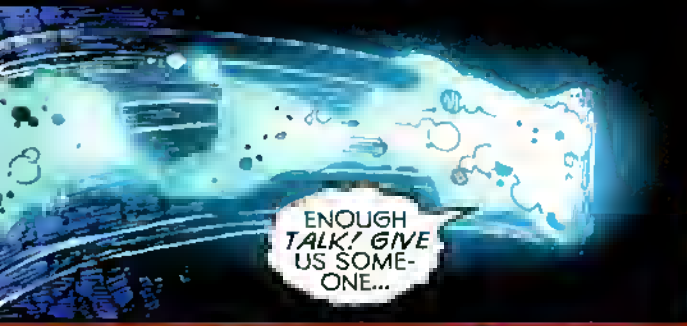
...to be IGNORANT of the  
subtle but powerful  
FOUNDATION of her ORIGIN!

LADY DEATH began as  
Lucifer's dark DREAM.

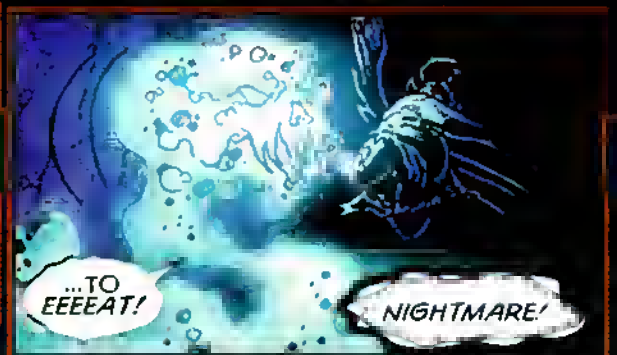
ONCE  
I THOUGHT  
OF GIVING YOU A  
**MERCIFUL  
DEATH!**

YOU ARE  
LABORING TO  
CHANGE MY  
**MIND!**



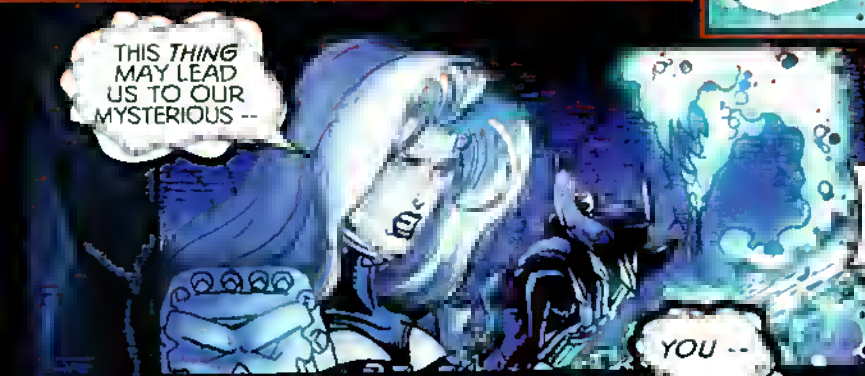


ENOUGH  
TALK! GIVE  
US SOME-  
ONE...



...TO  
EEEEAT!

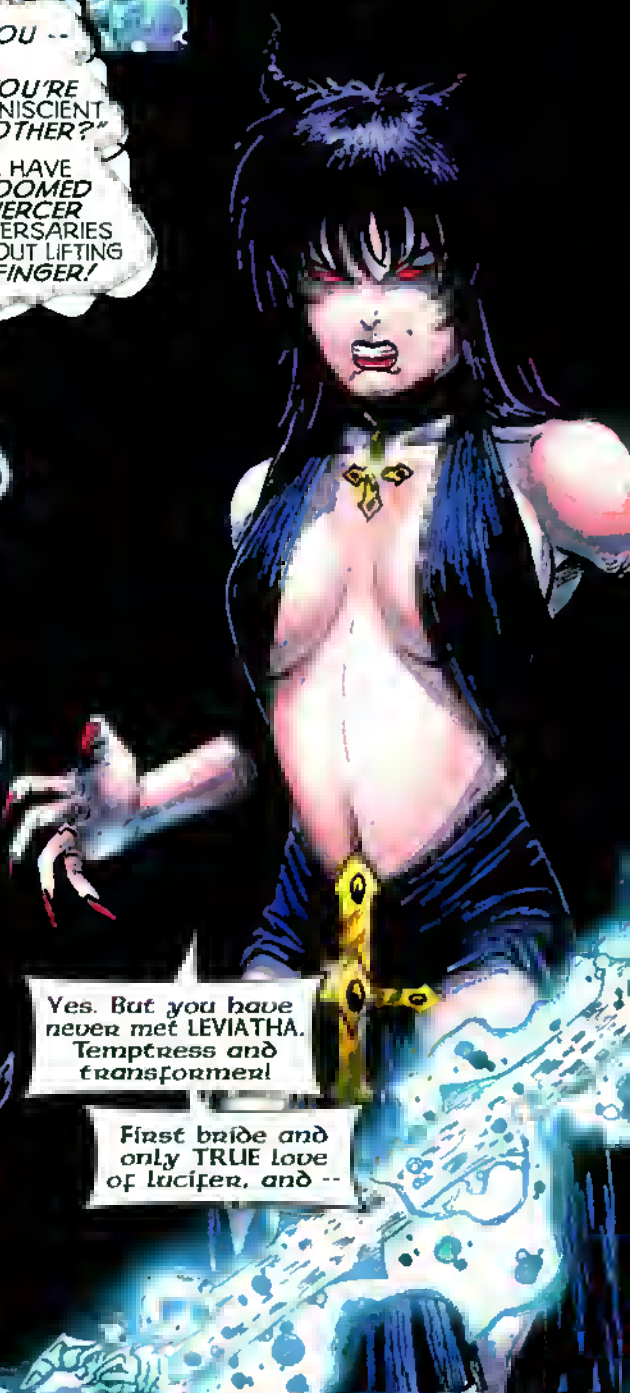
NIGHTMARE!



THIS THING  
MAY LEAD  
US TO OUR  
MYSTERIOUS --

It's not a THING,  
it's a FAWN!  
DON'T HARM IT!

YOU --  
  
YOU'RE OMNISCIANT  
"MOTHER?"  
  
I HAVE  
DOOMED  
FIERCER  
ADVERSARIES  
WITHOUT LIFTING  
A FINGER!



Yes. But you have  
never met LEVIATHA.  
Temptress and  
transformer!

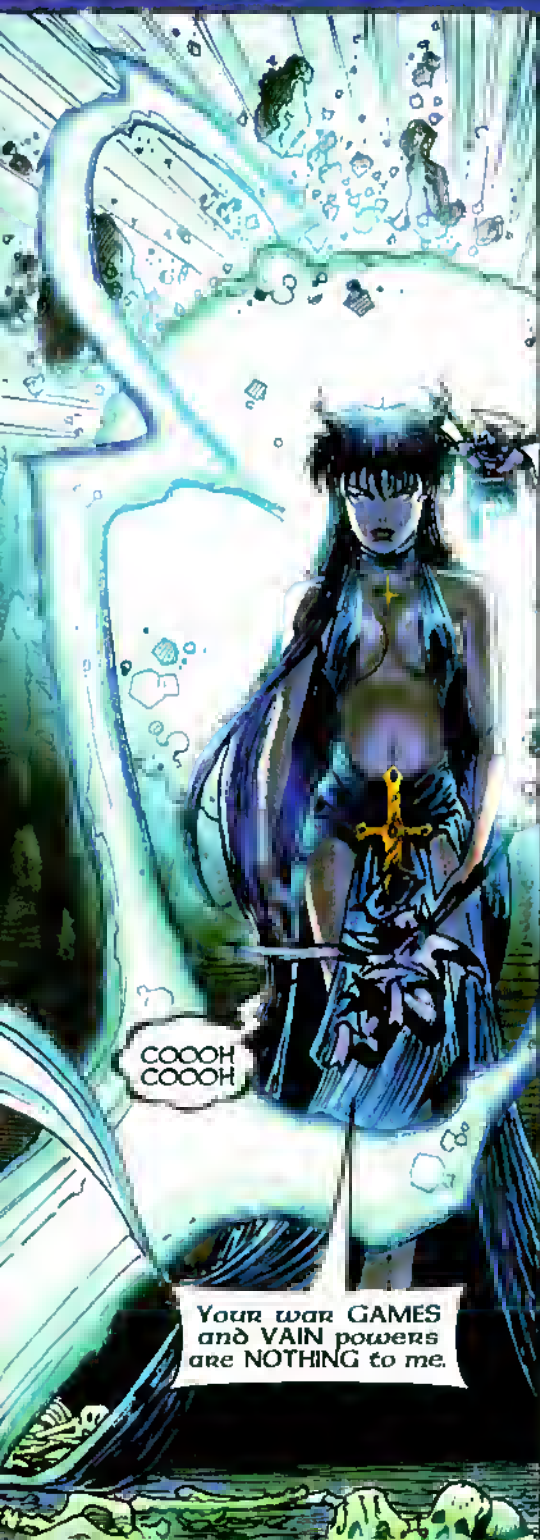
First bride and  
only TRUE love  
of lucifer, and --





AND,  
WHILE YOU  
CHATTER ABOUT  
YOURSELF, THE  
JUDGEMENT WAR  
APPROACHES!

KINDLY  
DIE AND  
BORE ME NO  
LONGER.



COOOH  
COOOH

Your war GAMES  
and VAIN powers  
are NOTHING to me.

Though it was your  
arcane energy that  
freed me from my  
prison of eons, letting  
me love my lord  
once more...

...I do not  
like you.

SHE'S  
WICKED



OH VER  
WICKED

look into your  
willful soul.

LADY  
DEATH  
MONTHLY  
#3!





...look into  
your mind's  
eye...

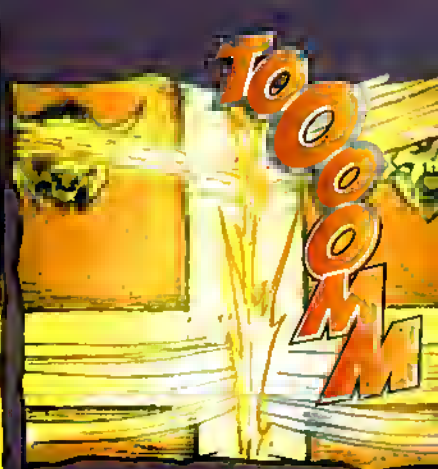
**SNORT**  
**UNHH?**

**ERRR** **ERRRRRR**



...SHUDDER...

THE  
FORTRESS?  
MY LADY?  
WHERE --?



...at the cost of your  
transgressions!



**RARRGH!**

**RENCCH**

**SNAP**





REENCH  
REENCH

REENCH

KRAK

KRAK

SNAKT

A grim fairy tale you call SURVIVAL.

OBSERVE Your self-satisfied FORTRESS. in TRUTH, it's a PRISON from a grim fairy tale.

Interlude: CAIN'S MARK. hell's accommodation for MURDERERS.



I like the ENDING of such STORIES best, DON'T YOU? let's SEE...



LOVE MURDERERS IN HELL, WE DO. MAKE 'EM RIGHT AT HOME.

GUARD!



I MUST INSPECT THE SOULS FROM EARTH. LADY DEATH'S ORDERS!

GOT PAPERWORK? HOT STUFF?



BAH!

SNAKT





INSIDE THE HALLS OF  
CAIN'S MARK,  
TORMENT IS  
FOREVER.

NO...  
DON'T  
BELONG  
HERE...

YOU'RE  
GETTING  
WHAT YOU  
GAVE IN  
LIFE!

ANIMAL!

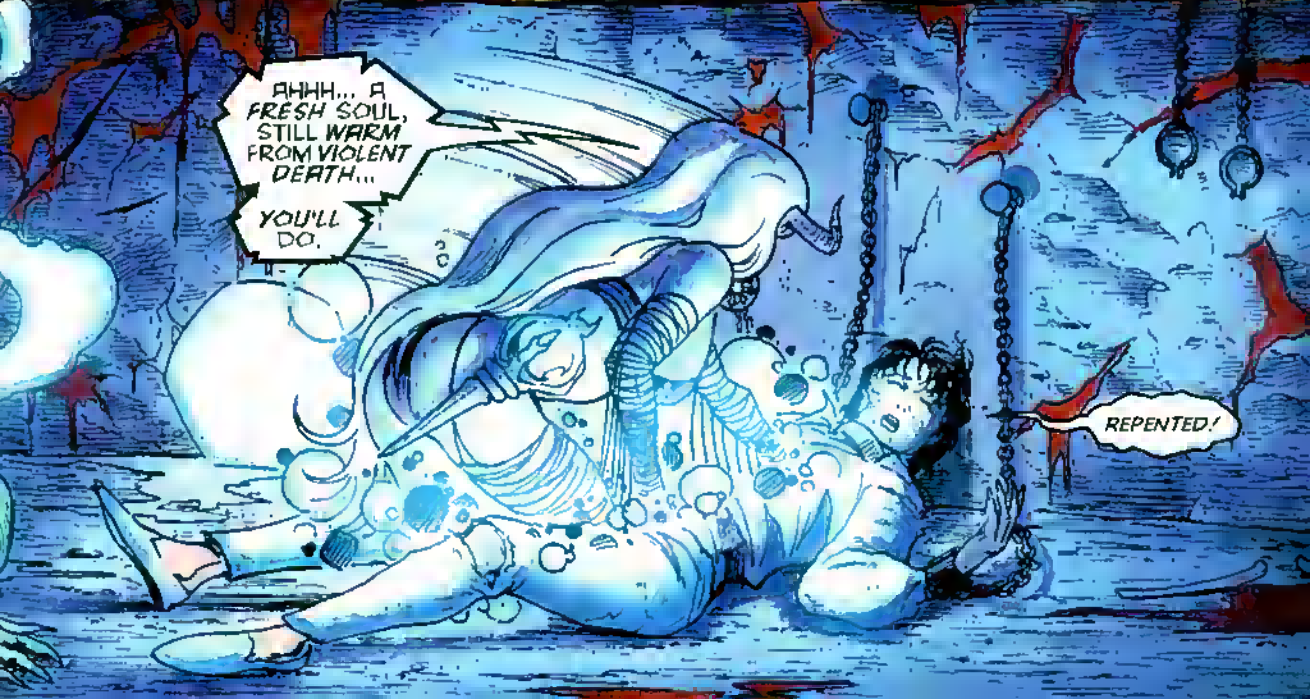
SILENCE!

I  
REPENTED...  
COULDN'T  
KILL...



KRAKKT

COULDN'T  
KILL... I... WAS...  
KILLED...



AHHH... A  
FRESH SOUL,  
STILL WARM  
FROM VIOLENT  
DEATH...

YOU'LL  
DO.

REPENTED!



INSTANTLY, IN A LUXURIOUS MANSION, SECLUDED ON LUSH LAND JUST NORTH OF SAN FRANCISCO...

...AMIDST THE GRIM AFTERMATH OF A DESPERATE EXCHANGE OF GUNFIRE...

REPENTED  
DON'T BELONG  
IN HELL!

...A LITTLE PIECE  
OF CAIN'S  
MARK COMES  
TO EARTH.

MEET CHERYL  
MONTESSORI,  
WHO, FOR THE  
LAST THREE  
MINUTES HAS  
BEEN A CORPSE.

COFF  
COFF

I'M  
ALIVE.  
I SAW  
HELL... AND  
SOMEHOW  
SURVIVED!

BUT MY  
LIFE WON'T BE  
WORTH A DIME  
IF MY FORMER  
ASSOCIATES  
SEE ME  
MOVIN'!

THEY  
WASTED ME  
FOR TRYING TO  
ABORT TONIGHT'S  
ASSASSINATION;  
THEY WON'T  
HESITATE TO  
NAIL ME  
AGAIN!

AND SO, CHERYL HURTLES  
INTO THE NIGHT, INTO A DARK  
FUTURE, UNAWARE OF JUST  
WHAT SHE ACQUIRED DURING  
HER BRIEF STAY IN HELL.

WHO SAYS ONLY CAIN'S MARK  
CAN MAKE THAT CLAIM,  
TORMENT IS FOREVER?

END INTERLUDE





LEVIATHA, IN YOUR NEXT LIFE, TAKE MY ADVICE; WHEN A LIAR LIKE LUCIFER USES YOU, FORGET HIM.

UH OHHHH.

TAKE HER!



CONTINUE TO ABUSE OTHERS WITH YOUR TWISTED MISERY...

...AND YOU WILL NEVER ESCAPE IT!

NOT PRETTY.

Lady Death. Your soul is fixed in EVIL by willful pride, but NOBILITY within you stirs my SYMPATHY.

For you face a harrowing no one in HELL has known.

AND THE SOULS THAT RESIST STRONGEST ARE ALWAYS THE MOST SAVORY!

THIS ONE IS POTENT.

BUT REMEMBER, WE ARE MANY!



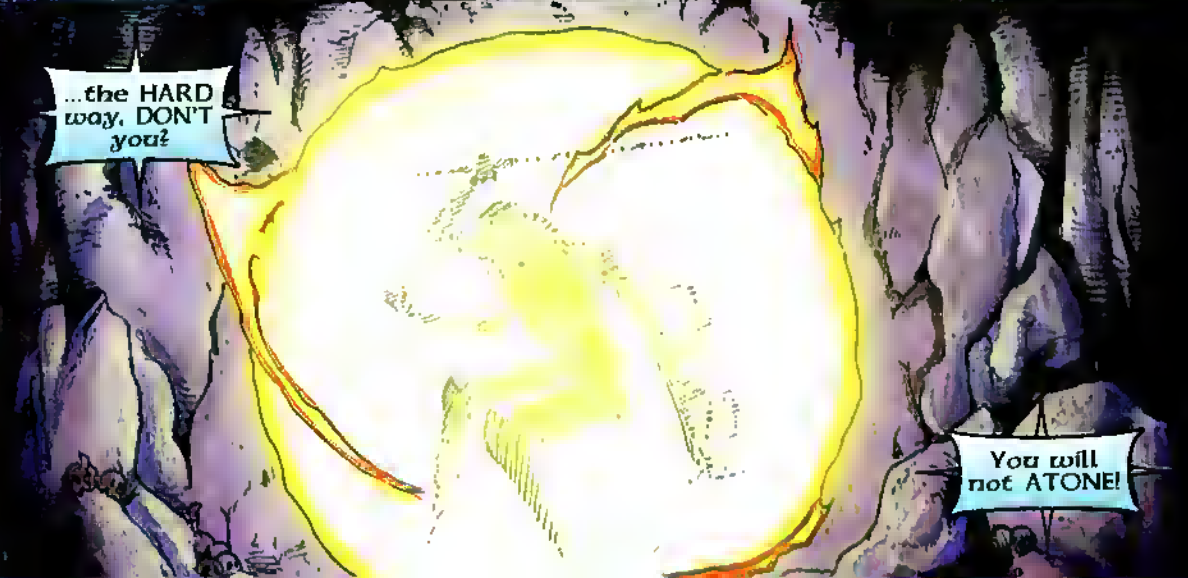
DIE WELL.



You WANT me to DO this...



NNNH!



...the HARD way, DON'T you?

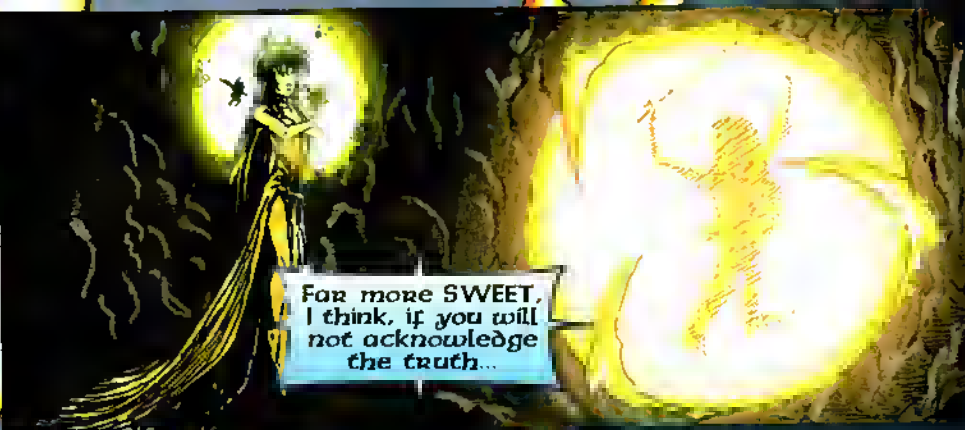
You will not ATONE!





UNLESS your spirit  
has been utterly  
broken -- and there  
is no OTHER way.

I could UN-CREATE  
you in my VOID,  
but where is the  
PLEASURE in THAT?



Far more SWEET,  
I think, if you will  
not acknowledge  
the truth...



...to make you  
LIVE the TRUTH!



You WERE Lucifer's FANTASY.  
In his eyes, you were the  
paragon of womanhood,  
and goddess DEATH divine.

And you know the biggest  
JEST of it all? Poor dear Lucifer  
believed he could NOT  
create! Yet UNCONSCIOUSLY,  
he gave DEATH life!

But REMEMBER, Lady Death  
was still nothing but a  
living THOUGHT until a  
pierce little thing called  
HOPE spit into LUCIFER'S FACE!

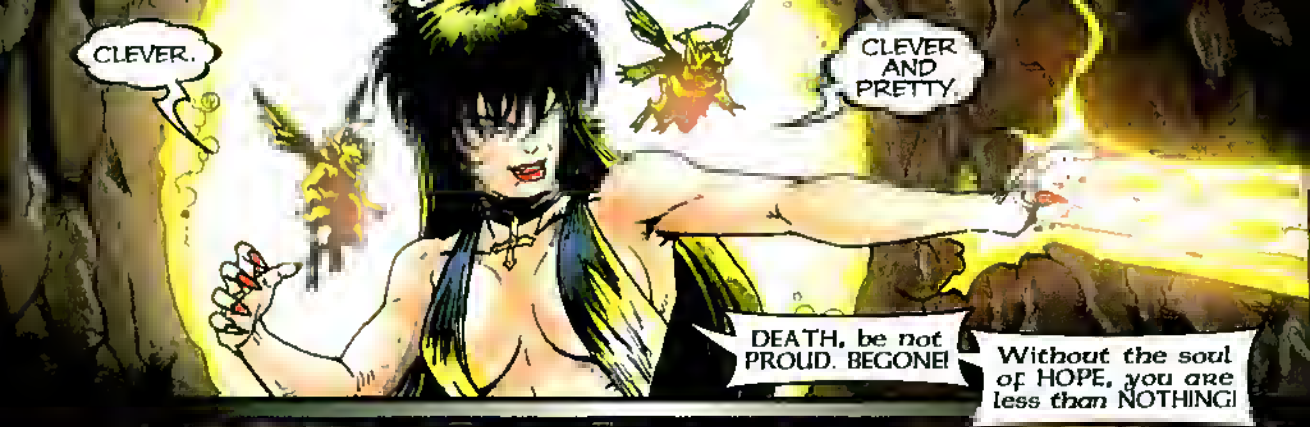
LUCIFER?

WAS I  
STRUCK DOWN  
IN BATTLE?

I HAD...  
THE STRANGEST  
DREAM...

HOPE gave Lady  
Death a SOUL  
to CLING to!





CLEVER.

CLEVER  
AND  
PRETTY.

DEATH, be not  
PROUD. BEGONE!

Without the soul  
of HOPE, you are  
less than NOTHING!



You CLAIM hell as  
YOURS. But the weight  
of your ambition rests  
on the SHOULDERS  
of a peasant girl.

LIVE as that GIRL,  
if you CAN, and you  
will UNDERSTAND.

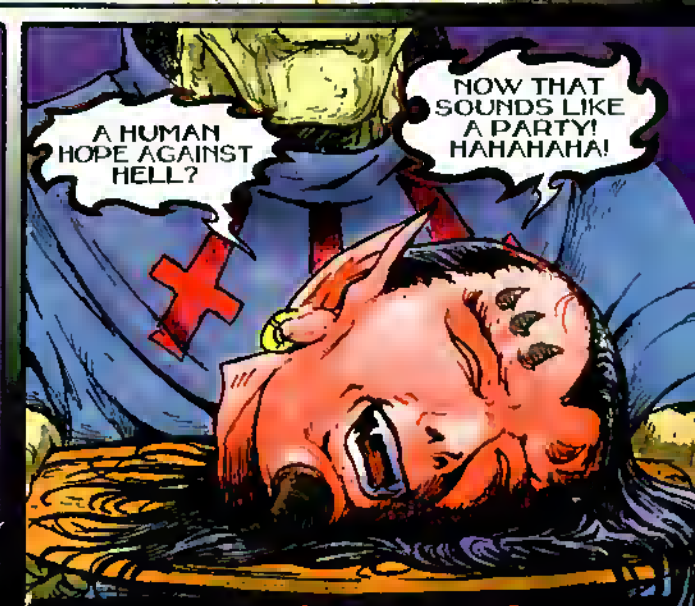
WHAT  
ARE YOU  
DOING?



To be MORTAL FLESH  
in HELL, what must  
THAT feel like?

Well, my dear,  
YOU'LL know  
soon enough.

Or, as YOU said  
so eloquently...  
DIE WELL.



A HUMAN  
HOPE AGAINST  
HELL?

NOW THAT  
SOUNDS LIKE  
A PARTY!  
HAHAHAHA!

**NEXT** BELIEVE IT.  
**THE HARROWING!**





# THE CHAOS! TO COME

# #7



YOUR MONTHLY NEWS SOURCE ON ALL THINGS CHAOS! - APRIL '98

## From the Crypt

Greetings. For the next couple of months I'm going to give some of our writers a chance to speak their mind. NEXT up, DAVID QUINN, forefather of the outlaw Independent craze, illuminates you on our dark and dangerous cosmos and writing Lady Death and Purgatori. So without any further ado -

"Times are hard," a friend said, "Play it safe." At the bank, okay. When it comes to my comics, like all my passions, no thanks. Times are hard because too many of us play it safe! Our dreams and nightmares are hurting. It's time to dare, to look deeper, and then dare to share what we find.

To illustrate, I'll offer my approach to *Lady Death* and *Purgatori*. Since Brian Pulido entrusted these dangerous women to me, my dark heart has been thrilled to enter the studio every day. I don't think I landed the gig by playing it safe, so each day, I make myself a dare.

Today, I'm digging for primal roots of my love of comics. What grabbed me so hard? Whatever I find, I'll apply, pushing whatever it is to the next level. I remember being rabid for tales of a then-Incredible Hulk and a Werewolf named Russell. My dreams and nightmares became flesh! They embodied the rage, confusion, desires, and alienation of a child looking into the abyss of encroaching maturity.

How do I surpass that? Rehash it on spliff paper at 166MHz of computer color? Sorry, no. Those old tales delivered because whatever gimmicks their creators had were employed to dramatize dangers that were intimately personal. So, after adolescence, what comes next? Well, turn to Lady Death. War between Heaven and Hell is the spectacle that's unfolding! But I see it through the eyes of a young woman who mastered *survival*, but now wonders what it would be like to *live*. Kind of hits you, doesn't it? And what about *Purgatori*? Born a slave in Egypt, she travels myriad dark worlds to seize her godhood for Eternity! But her true struggle is a mean little dilemma. It rocks her where she lives: should she grab what she wants (blood-soaked revenge!) or what she knows she really needs (power)?

I can't settle for a mythology that dramatizes anything less than my most profound hopes and darkest fears. (And I can't wait for tomorrow's dare!) Bring a fiend to the primal party...I'll meet you there.

- David Quinn

## The Low Down

### The Covenant Is Coming

In the last few months, Chaos! Comics president Brian Pulido has promised the biggest news in the history of Chaos! Now let it be known: The Covenant is coming! This storyline, running through *Lady Death* #9-12, written by David Quinn and illustrated by Steven Hughes promises to re-define evil in the Chaos! Cosmos. "To say much more would be spilling the beans," says Chaos! publisher Brian Pulido.

Why say The Covenant is the biggest event in the history of Chaos! then not reveal any facts? Pulido answers, "It is paramount for readers to know The Covenant is the key event in the cosmos' history, but what it is specifically cannot be revealed at this time. However, knowing the outcome I can say it will deliver the goods."

## PURGATORI

### Series Heating Up

Set for a September 1998 debut, *Purgatori* the ongoing series is exciting the staff in house at Chaos! Creator Brian Pulido has been working with writer David Quinn and illustrator Al Rio to serve up a series of dark discovery and state of the art vampire terror. Expect stories of ancients who roam the earth, mythological beings on apocalyptic missions, fallen Angels and Sakkara as leader of a multi-national corporation! And

in the "Give the people what they want" category, witness *Purgatori* vs. *Lady Death* in the terrifying realm of the Transdaemonites in issues #2 and #3!

## Chaos! Celebrates 5th Anniversary

This May, Chaos! Comics will be celebrating five years of innovative, groundbreaking, rules crashing, comic book publishing. We are offering several cool products to mark this event including The Chaos! Shield anniversary watch. Check upcoming Chaos! Collector's Corner ads for the lowdown.

## Upcoming Online Chats

All chats will be in the Chaos! chatroom @ [chaoscomics.com](http://chaoscomics.com) at 9:00 EST. You need Netscape to get on.

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5th	DAVID QUINN	Topic - Lady Death
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Watch this space for other upcoming special events!

## Chaos! Apparel Everywhere

Chaos! President Brian Pulido has just recently returned from the MAGIC show. The Magic show is the biggest apparel trade show under the sun. Working with FASHION VICTIM, Chaos! character T-shirts are spreading all over the globe with Smiley and The Chaos! shield leading the pack. Also of note: the new amazing Homicide T-shirt is selling gangbusters in Germany. Is world domination far behind?

## Cremator Action Figure Rules

As Moore Action Collectibles gears up for the second line of Chaos! action figures set to debut this summer, work has already begun on one of the three, Cremator. He'll be guardian. Sculpted by the powerful Shiftlett

Brothers, Cremator is a malevolent, hulking mass of muscle. Shown to a group of comic shop owners, the overall comment was, "Wow!" Cremator creator Brian Pulido was in awe as well. "I may be biased, but this is the finest male action figure I've ever seen."

## EVIL ERNIE

### Ongoing Series Coming In June

Comics number one bad boy, Evil Ernie is set to debut in his own ongoing monthly series this June. Written by Phil Nutman (EE: Destroyer) and illustrated by David Brewer (The Incredible Hulk), the first story arc, "Vampire Vengeance" brings Evil to Los Angeles to face down *Purgatori*. How does Evil react to the city of angles and vice versa? It's in the book. To complicate matters, Evil is experiencing warps in reality ever since the end of the Destroyer series. What's up with that? One hint: it leads up to issues #4 and #5 which explores deeply personal issues as EE resurrects his parents from the dead. A creepy weird time is guaranteed for all. Also a premium cover will be available by Kyle Hotz and Kelly Jones. NASTY!

## Smiley Contest In Wizard

Be sure to check out the Smiley contest in *Wizard* #83. It's a scavenger hunt through out the magazine to locate as many Smiley's as possible. And you gotta know that wise crackin' button is ALL OVER that issue! It comes out in May and one Grand prize winner will win a slew of Smiley merchandise!

## Pulido Revokes Premium Promise

Last August, Chaos! President Brian Pulido pledged to stop making premium editions of Chaos! Comics. Asking the opinions of everyone in the company, we agreed we overdid it in 1997. Yet we began to receive complaints that we were NOT doing premium covers. In fact,

the complaints grew and grew. When certain fiends (Chaos! fans) were asked about premiums, they felt as long as we did not over do it, it was okay.

With that in mind, Chaos! President Brian Pulido has revoked his pledge not to do any premium covers. "Yet we will not over do it. Last year, we got carried away. We will keep the special covers just that - special. And I might add, we have several cool ones planned for the year."

## Chaos! On Tour

Here's a few upcoming convention appearances. Be there! It is worth your time!

WORLD HORROR May 7-9, Phoenix, Arizona  
(call 602-945-6890 for more info)  
BIG APPLE CON June 6, New York, New York  
(call 718-275-1567 for more info)  
WIZARD WORLD July 17-19, Rosemont, IL  
COMIC CON INTERNATIONAL: SAN DIEGO  
August 13-16, San Diego, CA

## Reminders

Due to shifts in the comic book marketplace, Chaos! Comics is printing our comics to order, meaning we print exactly what we get orders for, so please, remember to pre-order your comics at your local comic shop. For information on how to pre-order, contact your local comic shop or if there isn't a comic shop nearby call 1-888-comic-book or Chaos! Comics customer hotline (1-888-Chaos-13) toll free.

## Quick News

See an all new Ladies of Chaos! poster illustrated by Mike Deodato featured in *Wizard* #86. Chaos! was the number nine publisher of comics for the month of March 1998. The Evil Ernie: Destroyer series concludes with a bang in May. *Dead King* #3 contains more terror action than any comic we've published to date. Mike Deodato is deep into *Lady Death* #6 and the pages look smashing. David Quinn has *Lady Death* plotted and approved by Brian Pulido up to #8. *Lady Death* #9-#12, which will be illustrated by Mister Steven Hughes features the monumental return of a certain bad guy. Chastity faces Jade in *Rocked*, set to debut in October. And don't forget to order your 1999 Chaos! Calendar right now! It's coming in May.

## The Chaos To Come Checklist

### April '98

- Lady Death #4 \$2.95
- Evil Ernie: Destroyer #8 \$2.95
- The Omen #1 (of 5) \$2.95  
(ships with 6 variant covers)
- Dead King #1 (of 4) \$2.95  
(ships with 1 variant covers)

### May '98

- Lady Death #5 \$2.95
- Evil Ernie: Destroyer #9 (of 9) \$2.95
- The Omen #2 (of 5) \$2.95
- Dead King #2 (of 4) \$2.95
- Cryptic Writings of Megadeth #4 \$2.95
- 1999 Chaos! Calendar \$9.95

### June '98

- Lady Death #6 \$2.95
- Evil Ernie #1 (of 9) \$2.95
- The Omen #3 (of 5) \$2.95
- Dead King #3 (of 4) \$2.95
- Smiley One-Shot \$2.95
- Fiend Club Newsletter Vol. 4 #2

## FIEND ALERT

Notice Chaos! Comics selling out quickly? Want your Chaos! comics? **LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!** Pre-order Chaos! Comics at your local comic shop - or ask them to reserve you copies! New Policy - We print to order. No over runs. **DON'T MISS OUT!**

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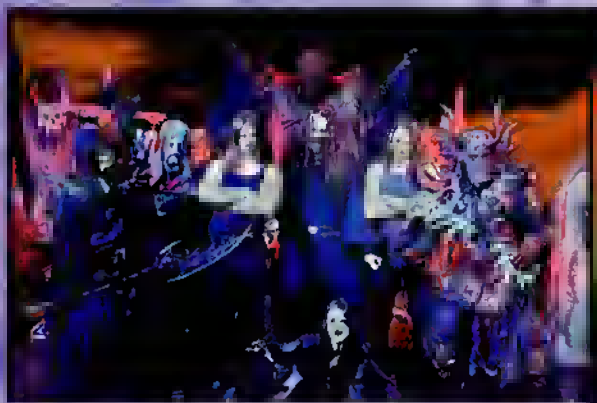
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# Last Writes

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So my question to you is, "How do you like the Lady Death ongoing series so far?" I have a request and an invitation: Write us and let us know what's on your mind. Do you have suggestions or comments? Write us.



**Doomsday & the Lords of Chaos:** Top Center: Soul Merchant  
L-R: Lord, Wizard, K.K., Mike Joe, Lord. Front: Fair Maiden.

**SOUL MERCHANT**  
played by Roy Young



From Doomsday's Graveyard of Destruction to the pages of Lady Death... the **SOUL MERCHANT** visits the Chaos! Cosmos! He comes out to terrorize once a year at the Chaos! Halloween Bash with Doomsday, Chaos! Comics house band of Destructive Metal. See him in Lady Death: Wicked Ways #2 & #3... and at the next Halloween Bash! To see more of Doomsday & the Lords, check out [www.primenet.com/~doomsday](http://www.primenet.com/~doomsday).

## HEY CHAOS!

Lady Death #1 kicked major @\$\$\$. I almost cried when I saw everything coming together for LD. First the nameless wolves, then Vassago came out of the crate I jumped off the couch with my hands clenched in victory with a loud YESSSSSS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

To see LD ensily take down Vultbogliagh for defiling the castle and then watch it transform back to the way it was, is too good to be true. Now I know that looks can be deceiving and I as well as Cremator saw Lady Demon walk into the castle and disappear so this leaves me askin' what's up? The final page with Lady Death sitting on her throne was too good to be true. Lady Death truly is the queen of all that is dead and dying and she's gonna prove it!! You've done it again Chaos! Keep up the great work.

Keep the evil thought  
Ted Kane #290

will still go through trials as evidenced by this issue, but rest assured the bitch is back and here to stay!

## DEAR CHAOS!

I want to begin by thanking you for putting out such quality work in the Lady Death series. I have collected comics for some time, but abandoned it after becoming dissatisfied with the quality of the writing and bland artwork that pervades the major labels. After reading the first issue of "Between Heaven and Hell" I knew that I had found what I had been searching for. Please find enclosed a copy of a poem that I recently wrote after spending a snowy day reading my back issues. I hope you enjoy it. Keep up the good work, and I'll keep on reading.

Sincerely,  
Terry Rodden  
Waterloo, Iowa

## HUMANITY GIVEN, HUMANITY LOST

She came from a time when the world was young and darkness had fallen from the night's sky to cloak the evil intent of man's heart.

A child of heaven's order of the fallen, she stood at the gate of all that is sacred, awash in gold, starlight and opulence just beyond

the reach of the dark Father.

Her time among the chosen was the last joy she would come to know before her descent into the realm of the profane where the hue of life's fire was drawn from the grace of her skin. So much life became death as the vanquished waited for the one that would deliver them from the finality of death's sleep to rise again with steel in their hands, and retribution upon their cold hearts. With the fallen and damned at her side, the dark Father met his end at the price of her humanity a bitter trade for control of desolation, and an endless realm of stone angels upon epitaphs given to faceless names of memories lost. Alone this warrior shall mark the passage of her days forever searching for the peace that eludes her until tranquillity closes her eyes in it's final repose she shall stand alone, forever alone.

Hey Terry, I'm psyched that you find our comics killer. We are always striving to improve what we do. That's our #1 game - constant improvement.

## Next Issue

She was the paragon of sensual desires. She was the last woman you would ever want to meet. She was Lady Death! WAS? Yes! The indomitable Diva of death has been stripped of her mantle, powers, and allies! With only her will, her wits, and her blood-craving swrnr Nightmare, mortal HOPE must discover the true source of Lady Death's power, for all of Hell is against her, and Heaven's Seraphim assassins are on the way! This key issue premieres THE HARROWING, a series-within-a-series by Chaos! creator Brian Pulido's powerful hand picked creative team of David (Purgatori) Quinn and Mike (Wonder Woman) Deodato, Jr.

*Brian Pulido*

Brian Pulido  
President/Publisher, Chaos! Comics

It's gratifying for me to hear from you and know that you are pleased with the direction of Lady Death. I've know for some time that the Diva would return to hell and be the cruel, unrelenting dominant that she is, but she had to go through many trials. She